

THE MADISONIAN will be devoted to the support of
the principles and doctrines of the democratic party, as
declared by Mr. Madison, and will aim to consummate
that political reform in the theory and practice of the
national government, which has been repeatedly indi-
cated by the general suffrage, as essential to the peace
and prosperity of the country, and to the perfection
and perpetuity of its free institutions. At this time a sin-
gular state of affairs is presented. The commercial in-
terests of the country are overwhelmed with embar-
rassment; its monetary concerns are unusually disor-
dered; every ramification of society is invaded by distress,
and the social edifice seems threatened with disorganiza-
tion, and by the prevalence of evil and the mur-
derousness of despondency; the general government is
badly assailed by a large and respectable portion of the
people, as the direct cause of their difficulties; open
resistance to the laws is publicly encouraged, and a
spirit of insubordination is fostered, as a necessary
defence to the pretended usurpations of a necessary
power; some, from whom better things were hoped, are
perpetrating the "crime of treason," by a headlong
pursuit of extreme notions and indefinite phantasies,
totally incompatible with a wholesome state of the
country. In the midst of all these difficulties and em-
barrassments, it is feared that many of the less firm
of the friends of the administration and supporters of
democratic principles are wavering in their confidence,
and beginning to view with distrust and suspicion the
policy to whom they have been long attached, and
whose elevation they have labored to promote from
honest and patriotic motives. Exulting in the anticipa-
tion of dismay and confusion amongst the supporters of
the administration as the consequence of these things,
the opposition are consulting themselves with the idea
that Mr. Van Buren's friends, as a national party, are
making the "crime of treason," and they allow no opportunity
to be unimproved to give eclat to their own doctrines.
They are, indeed, maturing plans for their own future
government of the country, with seeming confidence of
certain success.

This confidence is increased by the fact, that visionary
theories, and an unwise adherence to the plan for an
exclusive metallic currency have unfortunately carried
some beyond the actual and true policy of the govern-
ment, and by the increasing public confidence in the credit
system, which ought to be preserved and regulated, but
not destroyed, have tended to increase the difficulties
under which the country is now laboring. All these
seem to indicate the necessity of a new organ at the
seat of government, to be established upon sound prin-
ciples, and to represent faithfully, and not to dictate,
the real policy of the administration, and the true senti-
ments, and interests, of the great body of its sup-
porters. The necessity also appears of the adoption of
more conservative principles than the conduct of those
seems to indicate who seek to remedy abuses by de-
stroying the institutions with which they are found con-
nected. Indeed some measure of contribution is deemed
essential to the enhancement of our own self-respect at
home, and the promotion of the honor and credit of
the nation abroad.

To meet these indications this undertaking has been
instituted, and it is hoped that it will produce the effect
of inspiring the timid with courage, the desponding with
hope, and the whole country with confidence in the
administration of its government. In this view, this
journal will not seek to lead, or to follow any faction, or
to advocate the views of any particular detachment
of the government, but to be a just measure of sup-
port to each of the co-ordinate branches of the govern-
ment, in the lawful exercise of their constitutional
prerogatives. It will address itself to the understandings
of men, rather than appeal to any unworthy prejudices
or evil passions. It will rely invariably upon the prin-
ciple, that the strength and security of American insti-
tutions depend upon the intelligence and virtue of the
people.

THE MADISONIAN will not, in any event, be made
the instrument of arraying the north and the south, the east
and the west, in hostile attitudes towards each other,
upon any subject of either general or local interest. It
will reflect only that spirit and those principles of mutual
concession, compromise, and reciprocal good-will, which
so eminently characterized the imperial union, and the
subsequent adoption of the present constitution, and the
constitution of the United States. Moreover, in the same
hallowed spirit that has, at all periods since the adoption
of that sacred instrument, characterized its DEFENSES
at every emergency that shall arise, from whatever quarter,
and under whatever guise of philanthropy, policy, or
principle, the antagonistic party may appear.

If, in this responsible undertaking, it shall be our
good fortune to succeed to any degree, in promoting the
harmony and prosperity of the country, or in conciliating
jealousies, and allaying the asperities of party; by in-
dulging personal animosities towards none; by conducting
ourselves in the belief that it is perfectly practicable to
differ with others in matters of principle and of expedi-
ency, without a mixture of personal unfriendliness, or
reciprocal respect; and by "asking nothing that is
not clearly right, and submitting to nothing that is
wrong," then, and not otherwise, will the full measure
of its intention be accomplished, and our primary role
for its guidance be sufficiently observed and satisfied.

This enterprise has not been undertaken without the
approbation, advice, and pledged support of many of
the leading and sound-minded men in the north and
the democratic republican party in the extreme north
and in the extreme south, in the east and in the west.
An association of both political experience and talent of the
highest order will render it competent to carry forward
the principles by which it will be guided, and make it
useful as a political organ, and interesting as a journal
of news. Arrangements also have been made to fix the
establishment upon a substantial and permanent basis.
The subscriber, therefore, relies upon the public for so
much of their confidence and encouragement only as the
fidelity of his press to their great national interests shall
prove itself entitled to receive.

THOMAS ALLEN.

WASHINGTON CITY, D. C. July, 1837.

EXCHANGE HOTEL.

THE SUBSCRIBERS, having leased the Exchange
Hotel, (late Pages'), and having fixed it up in first
rate style, will be prepared to receive visitors on MON-
DAY the 9th inst. The location of this house, being with-
in a few minutes walk of the depot of the Baltimore and
Ohio, Washington and Baltimore, and Philadelphia Rail-
roads, as well as the Steamboat to Philadelphia, Norfolk,
and Charleston, &c., makes it a desirable place to all
travellers going to either section of the country.

This HOTEL attached to the Exchange Buildings in this city,
has been erected and furnished at a great cost by its
proprietors, and is designed to be a first rate hotel. It is
measured and constructed to make it for comfort, re-
spectability, &c. &c., equal to any house in the United
States. The undersigned flatter themselves that they
need only promise to all who may patronize the establish-
ment, that their best efforts shall be exerted to please, and
at charges which they hope will meet their approxi-
mations.

JEWETT & DE BUTTS.

Baltimore, Oct. 7, 1837.

HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS.—We have for
sale—
50 pieces Ingrain carpeting, which we will sell low.
50 do Brussels
42 do 4-4, 6-4, 10-4, and 12-4 Linen Sheetings.
100 do 7-4, 8-4, 10-4, 12-4, 14-4, 16-4, 18-4, 20-4, 22-4, 24-4, 26-4, 28-4, 30-4, 32-4, 34-4, 36-4, 38-4, 40-4, 42-4, 44-4, 46-4, 48-4, 50-4, 52-4, 54-4, 56-4, 58-4, 60-4, 62-4, 64-4, 66-4, 68-4, 70-4, 72-4, 74-4, 76-4, 78-4, 80-4, 82-4, 84-4, 86-4, 88-4, 90-4, 92-4, 94-4, 96-4, 98-4, 100-4, 102-4, 104-4, 106-4, 108-4, 110-4, 112-4, 114-4, 116-4, 118-4, 120-4, 122-4, 124-4, 126-4, 128-4, 130-4, 132-4, 134-4, 136-4, 138-4, 140-4, 142-4, 144-4, 146-4, 148-4, 150-4, 152-4, 154-4, 156-4, 158-4, 160-4, 162-4, 164-4, 166-4, 168-4, 170-4, 172-4, 174-4, 176-4, 178-4, 180-4, 182-4, 184-4, 186-4, 188-4, 190-4, 192-4, 194-4, 196-4, 198-4, 200-4, 202-4, 204-4, 206-4, 208-4, 210-4, 212-4, 214-4, 216-4, 218-4, 220-4, 222-4, 224-4, 226-4, 228-4, 230-4, 232-4, 234-4, 236-4, 238-4, 240-4, 242-4, 244-4, 246-4, 248-4, 250-4, 252-4, 254-4, 256-4, 258-4, 260-4, 262-4, 264-4, 266-4, 268-4, 270-4, 272-4, 274-4, 276-4, 278-4, 280-4, 282-4, 284-4, 286-4, 288-4, 290-4, 292-4, 294-4, 296-4, 298-4, 300-4, 302-4, 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